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### SUPPORT FOR THE COLORADO ROAD AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ACT:

Unlicensed and uninsured drivers pose a far greater risk every day to our community and the motoring public, than the immigration status of the driver does. It is a simple matter of public safety and financial responsibility to try and license and insure as many drivers as possible. Currently Colorado law does not allow this for undocumented immigrants.

States who have implemented laws allowing the issuance of driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants have seen dramatic increases in the number of licenses issued. They have subsequently had decreases in the number of unlicensed drivers on the road.

The sponsor of this bill has worked hard with stakeholders to require adequate and reliable forms of identification, and proof of residency before issuing a Colorado driver's license. This will help to ensure that these documents are accurate, legal, and reliable forms of identification.

For the all these reasons, I support this bill.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Joe Pelle